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Hotaka TAKEUCHI

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Examiner: Mohammed A. HASAN

For: **ZOOM LENS**

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the Official Action dated December 23, 2004. Reconsideration of the above identified application, in view of the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-18 are presently pending. Claims 1, 3-8, 10, 13, and 15 stand rejected. Claims 2, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 16-18 are objected to.

II. Acknowledgement of Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the acknowledgement of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 16-18. Claims 2, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 16-18 have been objected to as